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Mr. Allen W. Dulles
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Administration Building, Room 123
2430 E Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

The Interdepartmental Intelligence Conference (IIC) is currently considering the effect upon the responsibilities of its members of the admission of more than 31,000 Hungarian refugees to this country. Four Hungarians have voluntarily admitted that they were asked by the Hungarian intelligence service to fulfill espionage assignments within the United States. It is apparent that there may be others who have gained entrance to this country for such purposes. In an effort to identify other agents, the IIC is studying the organization and methods of operation of the Hungarian intelligence services. We would appreciate assistance from your agency in this connection.

We are specifically interested in information concerning the following:

- I. Background and organization of the Hungarian intelligence services which operate outside of Hungary. This should include identification of the organ or agency operating abroad for the Hungarian Government, the Hungarian military services, and the Hungarian Communist Party organization.
- II. Channels through which these services operate, with particular emphasis on their means of travel and communication and the types of individuals utilized, including official personnel, refugees, inspectors, and covert agents.

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III. Methods of operation, including recruitment and training procedures, targets assigned, special instructions, equipment furnished or to be secured, and financial arrangements.

With reference to the operations of the Hungarian intelligence services in this country, we would appreciate receiving any information which you may have concerning their sabotage, espionage, or counterespionage objectives and activities.

We would appreciate your inclusion of pertinent information which may have been gained from your interrogetion of the Hungarian refugees and from your contacts with police and intelligence agencies on the European continent as well as from such other sources as may be available to you. We are particularly interested in any information which may change or supplement the data contained in your study "History, Organization and Functioning of the Hungarian State Security Service (AVH)" which was forwarded to the Federal Bureau of Investigation by memorandum dated October 11, 1955, your reference CS CI-3005 D.

The IIC considers that study of the information requested may be of material assistance in its efforts to identify Hungarian intelligence operations in this country. We shall appreciate receiving such information as you may be able to secure as soon as possible.

Sincerely yours,

Interdepartmental Intelligence Conference

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